



Minutes NOCA Annual General Meeting October 15, 2018

Board Members Present

Barbara Schreiber (Treasurer)
Joy Anderson (Director)
Joy Adams Bauer (President)

Todd Trimble (Director)
Janet Wright (Secretary)
Ian Knipe (Vice-President)

Board Members Absent

Eve Reinarz (Director)

In addition to the above members of the Board, 31 individuals were present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Joy Adams Bauer who offered words of welcome and introduced the board members present and Chris Sholberg, NOCA's liaison with the City.

1. **Approval of agenda** – Motion to approve the agenda. Moved by Sue Creba, Seconded by Alexia Penny. CARRIED.
2. **Approval of minutes from October 16, 2017** – Motion to approve the minutes from the 2017 AGM held on October 17, 2016. Moved by Lawrence Reiper, Seconded by Arvid Carlson. CARRIED.
3. **Treasurer's Report** – Barbara Schreiber presented her report for 2017/2018.
Opening balance = \$961.81
Closing balance = \$ 724.12
Motion to approve the treasurer's report. Moved by Brian Booth, Seconded by Lawrence Reiper. CARRIED.
4. **President's Report – Joy Adams Bauer**

Joy gave an overview of board activities for the past year. The board keeps an eye on development permits for properties in NOCA's boundaries and provides input as deemed

necessary. A board member represents NOCA on the Nanaimo Network of Neighbourhoods (NNN), a collective of the City's neighbourhood associations which meets quarterly to inform members about goings on in their neighbourhoods, and the City's Good Neighbour Forum.

NOCA launched its new website in March 2018, the effort of a working group comprised of Joy Adams Bauer, Janet Wright and Brian Booth. Joy recognized the contributions of the Nanaimo Photography Club (photos of the Old City) and Lisa Hemingway (uploading photos and NOCA logo) to the website. The domain name for the website is www.nanaimoldcityassociation.ca

5. **Board member reports**

Janet Wright reported on her involvement in the past year on two major projects: the 388 Machleary Street property development (working group, March 27 community meeting & results report) and the new website (writing, page/topic organization).

Ian Knipe reviewed his involvement on the NOCA board through the past 6 years, in various roles from Director to President and currently, Vice-President. On behalf of NOCA, he collects and shares information with the City on various matters involving NOCA. He continues to be actively involved in the 388 Machleary Street property development – the biggest development in NOCA's neighbourhood. Ian reported that, as per a September 27 email from Brian Zurek, City of Nanaimo Planner, the City is awaiting more development detail from the Molnar Group. Ian anticipates that activity on the 388 Machleary St. property proposal will ramp up in the coming months.

6. **Pawson Park Update:** Joy Adams Bauer gave an update on Pawson Park (corner of Machleary and Franklyn streets) provided by the Pawson Park Committee. The new committee lead is Myra Thompson, who has been involved on the committee for 6 years. The Community Gardens did well this season, providing strawberries, herbs and zucchini for harvesting by members of the neighbourhood. The gardens could use more plots for rent by neighbourhood residents – cost is \$10/yr., with \$5 being returned at the end of the season. The washrooms are currently locked at all times and this is seen as a factor in fewer people using the park.

Todd Trimble and Joy Anderson did not provide reports.

7. **Recognition of Outgoing Board Members** – Joy Adams Bauer

Joy recognized and thanked the three outgoing board members for their contributions to the board. In particular, to Barbara Schreiber for her role as Treasurer for 9+ years and her active involvement in meetings by sharing of her views and opinions; to Janet Wright for her 2 years on the board and continuation going forward in the 388 Machleary Street working group; and to Todd Trimble for his involvement with issues of the larger community (e.g. the homelessness coalition) and the 388 Machleary Street working group.

8. **Election of new board members** – the following members of the association put their names forward to serve as members of the Board:

Joy Adams Bauer

Ian Knipe

Joy Anderson

Eve Reinarz

Penny MacMillan

Brian Booth

Motion to accept the following as the NOCA Board of Directors for the 2018/2019 year.

Moved by Bonnie Eaton, Seconded by Crystal Carson. CARRIED.

INTERMISSION

Following the intermission, Kelsea Shadlock put her name forward for the Board. A Motion to accept Kelsea on the Board for the 2018/2019 year was moved by Doug Creba, Seconded by Penny MacMillan. CARRIED.

9. **Guest Presentation** – Scot Meriam and Ken Romanyshyn of Energy Solutions Vancouver Island (ESVI) made an informative power point presentation providing an overview of residential solar PV systems, key things to consider and how to go about acquiring a solar PV system. NOCA joined ESVI as a community non-profit member, and by doing so, paid NOCA members have free access to ESVI’s Small Solar PV System Installation Specification, a valuable document that can be used when requesting quotes from vendors. For more information about ESVI, visit <https://esvi.ca>. To view the power point presentation, visit <https://esvi.ca/news/>.

10. **Question and Answer**

Bonnie Eaton raised a concern that the City of Nanaimo is allowing high rises in the downtown waterfront area. She requested that NOCA formally oppose the variances allowing these, expressing concern that high rises affect NOCA’s neighbourhood, in

particular for views and house value. She was encouraged to express her views on this issue directly with the City.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.